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**AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116**

Sir:

The following reply is responsive to the Final Office Action mailed September 21, 2007. Claims 1-20 were originally presented and they are the claims which remain pending for prosecution on the merits. Reexamination and reconsideration of the subject application are respectfully requested.

Also, the Patent Office is authorized to charge fee Deposit Account No. 12-1155 the necessary fees required for the Notice of Appeal to the Board of Appeals and Patent Interferences which is enclosed herewith. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees, which may be required to our deposit account No. 12-1155, including all required fees under: 37 C.F.R. §1.16; 37 C.F.R. §1.17; 37 C.F.R. §1.18; 37 C.F.R. §1.136.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.